



PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Churches of the Holy Redeemer and
St. Thomas of Canterbury & the English Martyrs

Parish Priest : Father Míceál Beatty

Deacon : Ian Moon



Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

The Sanctuary Lamps this week has been donated for
God's Mercy & Grace on my Family at St Thomas' and Holy Redeemer.
Please pray for these intentions.

Saturday 2 October

St Thomas' 6pm Vigil Mass - Susan Ezobi RIP

Sunday 3 October

Holy Redeemer 9am Pro Populo

St Thomas' 11am Eileen (Int)

Monday 4 October Memorial - St Francis of Assisi

Holy Redeemer 10am Florence Eden

Tuesday 5 October

Holy Redeemer 9.30am Holy Rosary

Holy Redeemer 10am Gallop Family (Int)

Wednesday 6 October

St Thomas' 10am Margaret Gearing RIP

Thursday 7 October Feast - Our Lady of the Rosary

St Thomas' 10am Norma & Ernesto Talaid RIP

Friday 8 October

Holy Redeemer 9.45am Divine Mercy Chaplet

Holy Redeemer 10am Peter High RIP

Saturday 9 October Feast - St John Henry Newman, Priest

Holy Redeemer 10am Margaret Stevens RIP

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

The Sanctuary Lamp this week has been donated
In Thanksgiving at St Thomas' and a Special Intention at Holy Redeemer.
Please pray for these intentions.

St Thomas' 6pm Vigil Mass - Pro Populo

Sunday 10 October

Holy Redeemer 9am Eileen Heffernan (Int)

St Thomas' 11am Sasha McCann RIP

Monday 11 October

Holy Redeemer 10am Barbara James RIP

Tuesday 12 October Memorial - St Wilfrid, Bishop

Holy Redeemer 6.30pm UCM 60th Anniversary (Int)

Wednesday 13 October

St Thomas' 10am Robert, Helen & Gerald Nisbet RP

Thursday 14 October

St Thomas' 10am In Thanksgiving - Arnel Venoya (Int)

Friday 15 October Memorial - St Teresa of Jesus

Holy Redeemer 9.45am Divine Mercy Chaplet

Holy Redeemer 10am Raymundo Ramos RIP

Saturday 16 October

Holy Redeemer 10am Chantell Witchalls RIP

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

The Sanctuary Lamps this week has been donated for God's Mercy
& Grace at both Holy Redeemer and St Thomas'. Please pray for
these intentions.

St Thomas' 6pm Vigil Mass - Pro Populo

Sunday 17 October

Holy Redeemer 9am In Thanksgiving - Heffernan Family (Int)

St Thomas' 11am Fidelis Okoliko (Int)

Mass Intentions: Your offering can be posted or hand delivered
to the Presbytery. Please include the following information:
Name of the Person for whom the Mass is to be offered, your
name, email address, telephone number and date desired. If
the date you require is already taken, you will be given the next
available Holy Mass.

Contacts

For booking enquiries, please contact Cathie Childs on 07502482066 and leave a message.
or email hallbookings@yahoo.co.uk. For further details regarding our halls go to Hall Bookings at

www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net

The Presbytery

31c Magdalen Road

Open - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9am until 3pm Phone : 01424 420 815

Parish Website Address:

www.parishofthegoodshepherd.net

Parish Office Email Address:

stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church:

31c Magdalen Road,

St. Leonards-on-Sea,

East Sussex. TN37 6ET

Holy Redeemer Church:

24 Upper Church Road,

St. Leonards on Sea,

East Sussex, TN37 7AS

Conquest Hospital Chaplaincy:

The Ridge, Hastings

Please contact 01424 757088 or 01424 755255 after hours, and ask for the Chaplain to be paged.

Poor Clare Community:

22 Upper Church Road, St Leonards on Sea, 01424 751 214

Canonesses of St Augustine

Filsham Road, St Leonards on Sea, 01424 434532

St. Mary Star of the Sea Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Claire O'Rourke 01424 42780

St. Richards Catholic College

Principal : Miss Doreen Cronin 01424 73107

Safeguarding Representative

Brenda Bailey 01424 430923

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Good Shepherd, St Leonards on Sea



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LOCAL NOTICES

Please pray for all our parishioners who are sick, in hospital or housebound, especially Kirsty O'Reilly, Frances Barrett, Alan Turner, Shelagh Rowland & Patricia Burns and for those who have died recently, especially Sr Francois, Chantell Witchalls & Benjamin Bailes. May they rest in peace.

Sr Francois' Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 19th October at 11am at Holy Redeemer Church.

Local COVID 19: As I'm sure you are all aware Legal Restrictions have been lifted, but precautions remain. Please find our local guidance here: [covid-19-step-4-.pdf \(wordpress.com\)](https://www.parishofthegoodsheperd.net/covid-19-step-4-.pdf) or go to our parish website www.parishofthegoodsheperd.net. We must continue to be vigilant and as Bishop Richard said; 'It is most important that we exercise great caution in the implementation of this guidance'. He also advises 'the wearing of face coverings is a protection for others, I urge most strongly that face coverings continue to be worn during the course of celebrations, in accord with the now well-established practice.' For the latest guidance from the [Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://cbcew.org.uk) click or go to cbcew.org.uk.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Sunday 19th September: £586.63 (GAD: £220.00)

Sunday 26th September: £540.12 (GAD: £183.50)

Thank you: We have received a further anonymous donation of £1000 towards Parish Funds. I am, as ever, very grateful.

How can I give to the Parish?

Apart from the offertory basket there are 4 methods that are available:

Just Giving – Please visit www.justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory **Cheque:** Please send your cheque, payable to The Parish of the Good Shepherd, to the Parish Office. **Standing Order:** HSBC, A&B Diocesan Trust Registered Charity, The Parish of the Good Shepherd, Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account Number: 31078291. **Finance** (abdiocese.org.uk) How do I add Gift Aid? If you pay tax, the Parish can reclaim an additional 25% of your offering. Please consider gift-aiding. To Gift Aid please fill in the form available via the below link and post it to the Parish Office or email it. <https://www.dabnet.org/contentdocuments/343.pdf> What if I have any questions? Please email or ring the Parish Finance via the Parish Office - stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk or telephone 01424 420815. I am grateful for your continued support.

Supermarket Vouchers: We have supermarket vouchers available for families in need of assistance. The vouchers are redeemable at Asda Supermarket. Please contact the Parish Office, in confidence, for further information.

End of Year Accounts: A copy of the End of Year accounts is attached together with statements from myself and our Finance Chair, Solomon Ezobi. If you have any comments or queries please email the Parish Office stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk

Counting: Can you spare a couple of hours a week to join our Counting Team? We are looking for Volunteers to help once a month. To find out more please contact the Parish Office or see me after Holy Mass.

UCM Hollington: Will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary on Tuesday, 12th October with Holy Mass at 6.30pm at Holy Redeemer.

LOCAL NOTICES CONTD.

St Richard Application SIF Signing: I will be available to sign 'supplementary information forms' for applications to St Richards in the John Fisher Room on Tuesday, 5th October at 3.30pm for an hour and Thursday, 7th October at 6.30pm for an hour. You do not need to book. I will sign the forms on a "first come – first served" basis.

Reception of Holy Communion: Please be reminded that when you receive Holy Communion you should consume it immediately before returning to your pew.

Caretaker Vacancy

We are looking for a Caretaker to oversee our two Community Halls. To find out more information, including hours and remuneration, please contact the Parish Office via email stleonards@abdiocese.org.uk

200 Club September Draw: The results of the September draw carried out by Margaret Guye are as follows: 1st Prize with number 054 was C Foster winning £35.00, 2nd prize with number 118 was S Galvin winning £15.00. Congratulations to them both. For more details on how to join up please contact Brenda Bailey on 01424 430923.

Faith in the Family: We are planning to re-launch this Parish group in the coming weeks. The aim of this group is to help parents, carers, and grandparents grow in their knowledge and understanding of their faith and its practice and to help them develop the faith of their children and grandchildren. We also seek to build community links between home, parish and school. In the past, we have run programmes for parents and activities for the whole family at different times during the year. In our next parish newsletter we will give details of events planned for November and December. We look forward to welcoming many of our parents and grandparents and children to the different events. With our prayers, Pat & Ursula.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day: Local experts are helping people around the world to adapt to climate change and protect our common home. Your donation will help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis. You can donate online through the CAFOD website www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis, or by posting your cheque in your prepaid CAFOD envelope or by text (details on CAFOD website). Thank you.

ADVICE REGARDING SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment to see me.

First Holy Communion: Registrations for the 2021 Programme is now closed.

Confirmation Programme 2021/22: Registration is now closed for 2021/22.

Marriage: Please contact the Parish Office to arrange an appointment to see me. At least one year's notice is required.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are going into Hospital for any medical reason and wish to be anointed, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office. The anointing of the sick is also administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness.

Annual Statement & Accounts

Fr Míceál Beatty, Parish Priest and Solomon Ezobi, Finance Committee Chairperson

Note from our Parish Priest

Many blessings to you all. Here we are again. I thought it best to publish this year's accounts as we did last year and err on the side of caution by not gathering for an AGM.

I am sure times have continued to be difficult for many, but am hopeful there is some light at the end of the tunnel with many of us now being double vaccinated which has allowed us some freedom to mix & lift some of the restrictions, especially in relation to numbers attending Holy Masses. I am seeing an increase in our numbers, as confidence grows among you and this is a great blessing for me. I ask you to join me in praying daily for an end to this Pandemic, so we can gather safely again unrestricted.

However, despite the restrictions there were 5 Baptisms, 1 Marriage & 12 deaths. I have received 3 enquiries for the next RCIA programme and have recruited a further 10 volunteers. Our Community Halls have now reopened and bookings are slowly increasing.

Our 40 Hours which Bishop Richard opened was a great success and my huge thanks to the Knights of St Columba for supporting the night time hours and to everyone who gave their precious time.

I would like to express my concern for those away from the church and for our young people who are sadly few and far between. We need to encourage them back to Church. Hopefully, we will see an increase with the return of the Sunday Obligation on the First Sunday in Advent, Sunday, 28th November.

Our Primary school, St Mary Star of the Sea are anticipating a Section 48 Inspection anytime this term which we look forward to.

I have resumed celebrating weekly Holy Masses with our Poor Clare's and our Canonesses.

Our plans to renovate St Thomas' are ongoing however have been delayed due to the pandemic but it is hoped that progress will be made before winter 2021.

Please be assured of my continued prayers that we may grow together in both communities.

Once again, many blessings,

Fr Míceál

Note from the Chair of Finance

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

It is another year and a brief overview on the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020. A very difficult year indeed, the year of the pandemic Covid-19 and lock down. However, with your continued support and generosity, our Parish has maintained a level of financial stability that is enduring.

Overall, total income for the year to 31 December 2020 was down by 11% from £128K to £114K and due to prudent cost management, the total expenditure for the year was also down by 12% from £132K to £115K. The bottom-line figure showed an improvement in the deficit for the year halved by 50% from (£3,990) to (£2,001).

Once again, on behalf of the Parish Finance Committee I would like to express my sincere thanks to Fr. Míceál and to you for your continued support and your kind generosity.

Thank you and God Bless.

Solomon Ezobi
Chair - Parish Finance Committee

Income and Expenditure - 2020
(01.01.20 – 31.12.20)

	£ - Dec 20	£ - Last Year	£ - Variance	% - Variance	£ - YTD	£ - Last Year	£ - Variance	% - Variance
INCOME								
Donations and legacies	9,861	13,554	(3,692)	-27%	65,288	84,151	(18,862)	-22%
Other	1,661	4,923	(3,263)	-66%	48,418	44,021	4,398	10%
Total Income	11,522	18,477	(6,955)	-38%	113,707	128,171	(14,465)	-11%
EXPENDITURE								
Raising funds	(1,131)	(3,555)	2,424	68%	(1,481)	(6,402)	4,921	77%
Charitable activities: Advancement of RC Faith	(1,148)	(185)	(962)	-519%	(8,122)	(6,140)	(1,982)	-32%
Other trading activities	0	0	0	0%	0	(17)	17	100%
Staff	(603)	(2,308)	1,705	74%	(26,032)	(25,561)	(471)	-2%
Clergy	342	(2,062)	2,404	117%	(15,347)	(18,399)	3,052	17%
Travel	0	0	0	0%	(35)	(28)	(7)	-25%
Office	183	(799)	982	123%	(5,839)	(7,698)	1,859	24%
Professional Fees	0	0	0	0%	(720)	0	(720)	0%
Establishment	(17,237)	(642)	(16,594)	-2,584%	(23,499)	(22,263)	(1,236)	-6%
Property	(2,010)	(437)	(1,573)	-360%	(13,592)	(22,844)	9,253	41%
Finance Costs	0	0	0	0%	(55)	0	(55)	0%
Transfers	2,793	(7,960)	10,752	135%	(20,987)	(22,808)	1,822	8%
Total Expenditure	(18,811)	(17,949)	(862)	-5%	(115,708)	(132,161)	16,453	12%
Surplus/(Deficit)	(7,289)	528	(7,817)	-1,480%	(2,001)	(3,990)	1,989	50%

Balance Sheet as at 31.12.20

	£ - Dec 20	£ - Previous Year	£ - Annual Movement
Current Assets			
Debtors	(73,212)	(72,424)	(788)
Cash	196,203	176,321	19,882
	122,992	103,897	19,094
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year			
Creditors	(4,479)	4,197	(8,676)
	(4,479)	4,197	(8,676)
Net Assets (Liabilities)	118,512	108,095	10,418
Charitable Funds FUNDS			
Surplus/(Deficit)	120,513	112,084	8,429
	(2,001)	(3,990)	1,989
	118,512	108,095	10,418